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Cudaback, but I would give it to Senator Redfield.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Redfield, about a minute and a half. Thank you, Senator Tyson.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you very much. Members of the body, I am sincerely hoping that you will support this bill. I think that if we're going to look at our tax code and we're going to look at the needs of the government in the state of Nebraska, it is extremely important that we start from a base that is fair and equitable. If there needs to be more money raised in the state of Nebraska, it should be raised from a base that is fair and equitable. We know currently that we are not starting on that base. I don't think any of us here agree that we should be there. It's hard to give up the money. But Senator Erdman just reminded me that if it's...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR REDFIELD: ...the right thing to do, it's always the right time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Redfield. There are no further lights on. Senator Redfield, did you wish to close on the advancement of LB 277?

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. I would just ask that everyone please think very carefully that if they keep this bill and forward it, that in fact we do have some leeway to make some minor adjustments to it. But I think whatever adjustments we make have to always have an end result of equitability, the same person, the same job, the same salary, the same tax. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Redfield. The question before the body is, shall LB 277 be advanced to E & R Initial? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting on advancement of LB 277. Have you all voted who care to? Have you all voted? Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 4 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of